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P01,0249

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 17 ]  
2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) [Total Pages 9 ]  
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney [Total Pages 2 ]

a. ☒ Unexecuted declarationb. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)

## [Note Box 4 Below]

- i.
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- DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
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- Signed statement attached deleting
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- Inventor(s) named in the prior application,
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- see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

- 4.
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- Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
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- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a
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- copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b,
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- is considered as being part of the disclosure of the
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- accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by
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- reference therein.

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 5.
- ☐
- Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)

- 6.
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- Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).

- 7.
- ☐
- English Translation Document (if applicable)

- 8.
- ☐
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- ☐
- Copies of IDS Citations

- 9.
- ☐
- Preliminary Amendment

- 10.
- ☒
- Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
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- (Should be specifically itemized)

- 11.
- ☐
- Small Entity
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- Statement filed in prior application,
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- Statement(s) Status still proper and desired

- 12.
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- Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) German patent
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- application 100 32 825.3 filed July 6, 2000

- 13.
- ☐
- Other:

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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## CLAIMS AS FILED

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TOTAL CLAIMS 20	13	0		
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 3	1	0		
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS? (YES (X) NO)				
			TOTAL FILING FEE ->	\$710.00

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application, or credit any overpayment to ACCOUNT NO. 501-519. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.☒ A check in the amount of \$ 710.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

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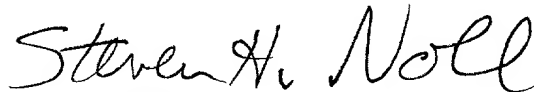
Re: Proposed Patent Application for HORST MUELLER entitled "METHOD  
FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF DIGITAL OPTICAL SIGNALS", Attorney  
Docket No. P01,0249

S I R:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.41 (c), I am filing the attached application with 13 claims, 9 sheets of drawings and filing fee on behalf of HORST MUELLER and request that the application papers be assigned a serial number and filing date.

I request that the application be assigned a Serial No. and Filing Date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).

Respectfully submitted,



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